

AGENDA
VERNON TOWN COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
TOWN HALL - 14 PARK PLACE - 3rd Floor
VERNON, CONNECTICUT

TUESDAY, MAY 19, 2009
7:30 P.M.

A.) **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

ROLL CALL

CITIZEN'S FORUM

B.) **PUBLIC HEARING**

C.) **PRESENTATION**

YOUTH SERVICE BUREAU DIRECTOR ALAN SLOBODIEN ALONG WITH TANJUA DAMON-MERROW OF THE VERNON SCHOOL READINESS COLLABORATIVE, WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A PRESENTATION TO THE TOWN COUNCIL REGARDING THE PARENT ENGAGEMENT COMMITTEES' RESULTS REGARDING THE ONE-TO-ONE LISTENING CAMPAIGN CONDUCTED IN VERNON FROM APRIL 2008 – JUNE 2008.

D.) **CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS**

- C 1. Request the Town Council approve the Mayor's appointment of Michael Desmond (R), 25 Elizabeth Lane, Vernon, Connecticut 06066, as a regular member of the Vernon Traffic Authority to complete the unexpired term of Dan Sullivan which began on 06-18-2008 and expires on 02-20-2010, said appointment is effective 05-20-2009 and expires on 02-20-2010.** (A copy of Mr. Desmond's resume is included in your packet.)

PROPOSED MOTION:

PURSUANT TO ORDINANCE NO. 180; TOWN CODE SEC. 13-16 THROUGH 13-18, THE VERNON TOWN COUNCIL APPROVES THE MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT OF MICHAEL DESMOND (R), 25 ELIZABETH LANE, VERNON, CONNECTICUT 06066, AS A REGULAR MEMBER OF THE VERNON TRAFFIC AUTHORITY TO COMPLETE THE UNEXPIRED TERM OF DAN SULLIVAN WHICH BEGAN ON 06-18-2008 AND EXPIRES ON 02-20-2010, SAID APPOINTMENT IS EFFECTIVE 05-20-2009 AND EXPIRES ON 02-20-2010.

C 2. Request the Town Council send the "Agreement regarding designation of Fire Marshals", to Public Hearing on June 2, 2009.

(A copy of a memorandum dated May 15, 2009 from John D. Ward, Town Administrator to Mayor Jason L. McCoy and the Town Council is included for your review).

PROPOSED MOTION

THE TOWN COUNCIL, CONSISTENT WITH CHAPTER V OF THE VERNON TOWN CHARTER, SEC. 6, ENTITLED "PUBLIC HEARING ON AND PUBLICATION OF ORDINANCES", HEREBY SCHEDULES A PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING AN AGREEMENT ENTITLED "AGREEMENT REGARDING DESIGNATION OF FIRE MARSHALS" AT 7:35 PM ON TUESDAY, JUNE 2, 2009 LOCATED AT THE TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBERS, THIRD FLOOR, 14 PARK PLACE, VERNON, CONNECTICUT TO RECEIVE COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS RELATIVE TO THE PROPOSED AGREEMENT.

C 3. Request the Town Council approve budget amendment #32 for fiscal year 2008-2009, as provided by James Luddecke, Finance Officer.

PROPOSED MOTION

THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES BUDGET AMENDMENT REQUEST #32 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2008-2009, AS OUTLINED IN THE BUDGET AMENDMENT FORMS PROVIDED BY THE FINANCE OFFICER.

- C 4. Request the Town Council in accordance with the requirements for the Small Cities, Community Development Block Grant, endorse the following Fair Housing Plan for the Town of Vernon.** (A copy of said Plan along with a memorandum from Town Administrator John D. Ward to Mayor Jason L. McCoy and Town Council members dated 05-15-2009 are included for review).

PROPOSED MOTION

THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY ENDORSES THE 2009 TOWN OF VERNON FAIR HOUSING PLAN AS PRESENTED AND AUTHORIZES MAYOR JASON L. MCCOY TO EXECUTE ALL THE NECESSARY DOCUMENTATION FOR SAME.

- C 5. Request the Town Council approve the Mayor's appointment of Joy Hollister, (U) of 375 Hartford Turnpike, Vernon, Connecticut as a regular member of the ACCESS Agency Inc. for a term to begin on 05-20-2009 and expire on 05-19-2011.**

PROPOSED MOTION

PURSUANT TO THE BY-LAWS OF THE ACCESS AGENCY THE TOWN COUNCIL HEREBY APPROVES THE MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT OF JOY HOLLISTER (U), OF 375 HARTFORD TURNPIKE, VERNON, CONNECTICUT AS A REGULAR MEMBER OF THE ACCESS AGENCY INC., FOR A TERM TO BEGIN ON 05-20-2009 AND EXPIRE ON 05-19-2011.

E.) IDENTIFICATION OF ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS

F.) PENDING BUSINESS

G.) NEW BUSINESS

- 1. Discussion requested by Council Member Marie Herbst regarding a review of the lobbyist for budget year 2008-2009 and a legal opinion regarding wage reductions taken during the recently completed budget**

meetings. (A copy of Council Member Herbst memorandum dated April 29, 2009 is included for your review).

2. **Request the Town Council adopt a modified schedule of meetings for the summer months.** (A copy of a memorandum from John D. Ward, Town Administrator to Jason L. McCoy, Mayor and Town Council Members dated May 15, 2009 is included for your review).

PROPOSED MOTION

THE VERNON TOWN COUNCIL ADOPTS A SUMMER SCHEDULE AS FOLLOWS: ELIMINATE JULY 7, AUGUST 4, AND SEPTEMBER 1, 2009, REDUCING THE SUMMER TOWN COUNCIL SCHEDULE TO ONE MEETING FOR EACH OF THE MONTHS OF JULY, AUGUST AND SEPTEMBER, 2009.

H.) INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES

I.) ACTION ON ORDINANCES PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED

J.) DISCUSSION OF ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS

K.) ADOPTION OF MINUTES

THE TOWN COUNCIL WAIVES THE READING OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF APRIL 21, 2009 AND THAT MINUTES OF SAID MEETING BE APPROVED.

THE TOWN COUNCIL WAIVES THE READING OF THE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF APRIL 28, 2009 AND THAT MINUTES OF SAID MEETING BE APPROVED.

THE TOWN COUNCIL WAIVES THE READING OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF MAY 5, 2009 AND THAT MINUTES OF SAID MEETING BE APPROVED.

THE TOWN COUNCIL WAIVES THE READING OF THE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING ON MAY 12, 2009 AND THAT MINUTES OF SAID MEETING BE APPROVED.

L.) EXECUTIVE SESSION

M.) INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

1. Monthly Report Town Clerk – March, 2009 submitted by Bernice K. Dixon, Vernon Town Clerk.
2. Monthly Report Town Clerk – April, 2009 submitted by Bernice K. Dixon, Vernon Town Clerk.
3. Monthly Report Police Department – April, 2009 submitted by Captain Stephen M. Clark, Vernon Police Department.
4. REMINDER TO RSVP: Invitation to the Dedication of the Restoration of the First Civil War Monument.
5. Invitation to the 25th Anniversary Celebration of Rose Commons, 540 Hartford Turnpike, Vernon, Connecticut.
6. REMINDER TO RSVP: Invitation to the Memorial Day Parade, May 25, 2009.
7. Bridge Status Report dated May 15, 2009 submitted by Terry McCarthy, Town Engineer.